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The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad,[1] the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] and the oral statement by the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3]

Recalling Security Council resolution 1778 (2007) of 25 September 2007, by which the Council established in Chad and the Central African Republic a multidimensional presence, including a United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 1861 (2009) of 14 January 2009, by which the Council decided to extend the mandate of the Mission until 15 March 2010 and authorized the deployment of a military component of the Mission,

Recalling also its resolution 62/233 A of 22 December 2007 on the financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 63/274 of 7 April 2009,

[1] A/63/565 and A/63/817.
[2] A63/746/Add.13.
[3] See *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixty-third Session, Fifth Committee*, 50th meeting (A/C.5/63/SR.50).

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Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

Noting with appreciation that voluntary contributions have been made to the Mission,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals, in full accordance with the provisions of General Assembly resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006 and 61/276 of 29 June 2007 and other relevant resolutions;

2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad as at 30 April 2009, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 66.4 million United States dollars, representing some 14 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only thirty-eight Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Also expresses concern* at the delay experienced by the Secretary-General in deploying and providing adequate resources to some recent peacekeeping missions, in particular those in Africa;

6. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

7. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

8. *Reiterates its request* to the Secretary-General to make the fullest possible use of the facilities and equipment at the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy, in order to minimize the costs of procurement for the Mission;

9. *Acknowledges with appreciation* that the use of the Entebbe logistics hub in Uganda has been cost-effective and has resulted in savings for the United Nations, and welcomes the expansion of the logistics hub to provide logistical support to peacekeeping operations in the region and to contribute further to their enhanced efficiency and responsiveness, taking into account ongoing efforts in this regard;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

11. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions[2] and the oral statement by the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[3] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

12. *Takes note* of paragraphs 24, 31, 44, 46, 49 and 60 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions;[2]

13. *Decides* to reclassify the post of the Chief of Staff in the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General from the D-1 to the D-2 level;

14. *Takes note* of paragraph 41 of the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] and recognizes that improvement of national airport infrastructure is the responsibility of the host country, where possible;

15. *Welcomes* the dispatchment of a tiger team to the Mission, which considerably expedited the recruitment of national and international staff, and requests the Secretary-General to continue his efforts in this regard;

16. *Commends* the initiative of the Mission to prepare a water production and conservation policy, and requests the Secretary-General, in this regard, to ensure that lessons learned are shared with other operations in similar situations;

17. *Also commends* the Mission for its efforts to assist in increasing the number of female officers in the Détachement intégré de sécurité, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure continued efforts in this regard;

18. *Reaffirms* section XX of its resolution 61/276, and encourages the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad and United Nations missions in the region to continue where possible the efforts to achieve greater synergies, while bearing in mind that individual missions are responsible for the preparation and implementation of their own budgets and for controlling their own assets and logistical operations;

19. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266 and 61/276;

20. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to take all necessary action to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

21. *Further requests* the Secretary-General, in order to reduce the cost of employing General Service staff, to continue efforts to recruit local staff for the Mission against General Service posts, commensurate with the requirements of the Mission;

Financial performance report for the period from 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008

22. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the financial performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008;[4]

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[4] A/63/565.

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010

23. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad the amount of _____ dollars for the period from 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010, inclusive of 690,753,100 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, _____ dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and _____ dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base;

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24. *Also decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of _____ dollars for the period from 1 July 2009 to 15 March 2010, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243 of 22 December 2006, and taking into account the scale of assessments for 2009, as set out in its resolution 61/237 of 22 December 2006, and for 2010;[5]

25. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 24 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of the amount of _____ dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 5,160,026 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of _____ dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of _____ dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

26. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of _____ dollars for the period from 16 March to 30 June 2009 at a monthly rate of _____ dollars, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2010,[5] subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

27. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 26 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of _____ dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 2,138,574 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of _____ dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of _____ dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

28. *Further decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 24 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 18,647,300 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2008, in accordance with the levels updated in General Assembly resolution 61/243, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2008, as set out in General Assembly resolution 61/237;

29. *Decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total

[5] To be adopted by the General Assembly.

amount of 18,647,300 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2008, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 28 above;

30. *Also decides* that the decrease of 1,537,800 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2008 shall be set off against the credits from the amount of 18,647,300 dollars referred to in paragraphs 28 and 29 above;

31. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

32. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel under the auspices of the United Nations participating in the Mission, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

33. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

34. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its sixty-fourth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in the Central African Republic and Chad".